

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action.

Claims 1-12 and 14-19 remain pending. Claims 1-6, 12, 14-15, 17, and 19 have been allowed. Claims 7-11, 16, and 18 currently stand rejected.

Double Patenting

Claims 7-11, 16, and 18 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 8,021,304. A terminal disclaimer is filed with this response. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 7-11, 16, and 18 is respectfully requested.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No.: NIHE-40635.

Respectfully submitted,
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